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SUBJECT: U.S. GRAIN STOCKS IN MALI

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1. AID/W WOULD LIKE TO CLARIFY REPORTING REQUIREMENT REFERRED TO IN REF (B) SINCE SOME MISUNDERSTANDING HAS BEEN REFLECTED IN REF (A).

2. PURPOSE OF MONTHLY REPORT IS TO INSURE THAT CDO, AND IN TURN AID/W, HAS SUFFICIENT KNOWLEDGE ON LOCATION AND CONDITION OF U.S. DONATED STOCKS TO MEET MONITORING RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER AID DIRECTIVES.

3. GIVEN THE SIZE OF MALI AND THE LEVEL OF U.S. GRAIN
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STOCKS IN COUNTRY, AID/W REALIZES THAT GATHERING STOCK CONDITION DATA IS AN ARDUOUS AND CHALLENGING TASK. AT THE SAME TIME, SEVERE PROBLEMS OF GRAIN INFESTATION AND SPOILAGE WHICH HAVE AFFECTED U.S. FURNISHED STOCKS IN

THE SAHEL SUGGESTS THAT SPECIAL MEASURES ARE IN ORDER TO PREVENT FURTHER FOOD LOSSES. AID/W DOES NOT RPT NOT EXPECT CDO STAFF QUOTE TO FOLLOW COMINGLED DONOR STOCKS INTO AND THROUGH COUNTRY UNQUOTE. DO REQUIRE, HOWEVER, PERIODIC STATUS REPORT ON CONDITION OF STOCKS IDENTIFIABLE

AS U.S. DONATION WHICH ARE FOUND IN DOZEN OR SO MAIN DISTRIBUTION CENTERS OF MALI (E.G., KAYES, SEGOU, TIMBUCTU, GAO, ANSONGO, ETC.).

4. SINCE PRINCIPAL ELEMENT OF REQUESTED REPORT IS REQUIREMENT FOR VISUAL INSPECTION OF U.S. STOCKS BY CDO STAFF MEMBER, OPAM PERIODIC STOCK REPORTS ARE NOT ESSENTIAL (ALTHOUGH THEY CAN BE USEFUL) IN COMPILING DATA FOR REPORT.

5. IT IS RE(OGNIZED THAT CDO STAFF MAY HAVE DIFFICULTY INSPECTING U.S. STOCKS AT ALL MAIN DISTRIBUTION CENTERS EACH MONTH. IN KEEPING WITH REPORT FORMAT RECOMMENDED IN REF (B), AN INDICATION SHOULD BE MADE AS TO ANTICIPATED INSPECTION DATES WHEN INSPECTION TRIP WAS NOT POSSIBLE DURING PREVIOUS MONTH.

6. AID/W REQUESTS THAT DILIGENT EFFORT BE MADE TO FORWARD REQUIRED REPORT NLT MAY 23. REPORT SHOULD SYNTHESIZE STOCK INFO GATHERED BY CDO/RFFPO/FFPO/FOOD MONITOR DURING FIELD TRIPS UNDERTAKEN IN MARCH/APRIL AND INDICATE PLANNED DATES FOR MAY/JUNE INSPECTION TRIPS. KISSINGER

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